

# *Proclamation*

The first Puerto Ricans arrived to our islands in the early 1900s as contracted laborers, and have been part of Hawai'i's history for more than a century. Nearly one-third of Hawai'i's Hispanic population is of Puerto Rican descent.

The Hispanic Center of Hawai'i, along with Latin Lady DJ Margarita!, founder & Co-Chair of this event, and internationally known Latin promoter, Albert Torres Productions; Los Angeles, will sponsor the sixth annual Puerto Rican Hawai'i Salsathon. The annual celebration honors this proud heritage and their Sister City – San Juan, Puerto Rico.

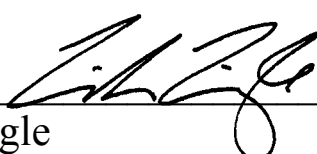
The annual Puerto Rican Hawai'i Salsathon Festival will be celebrated on June 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at Ala Moana Beach Park's McCoy Pavilion. This celebration will provide lots of traditional music, food, youth activities, salsa dance workshops and competitions and health related services for the Hispanic community.

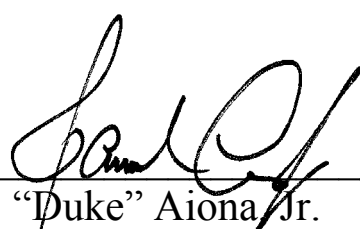
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE**, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **June 17 and 18, 2006**, as

## **6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PUERTO RICAN HAWAI'I SALSATHON DAYS**

in Hawai'i, and encourage our citizens to recognize the importance of this special celebration.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fourteenth day of June 2006.

  
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Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
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James R. "Duke" Aiona Jr.  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i